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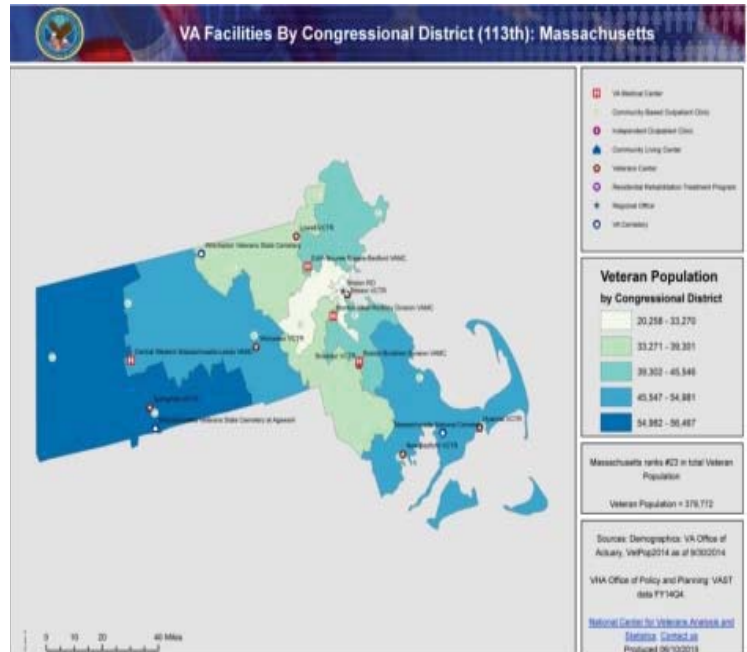
State Summary

Massachusetts

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) offers a wide variety of programs and services. Many Veterans use VA education programs, obtain VA guaranteed home loans, and receive VA disability payments. VA completed a record-breaking 1.17 million disability claims in FY13, and is on track to complete even more in FY14.

One of the most visible of all VA benefits is a large health network of hospitals, community-based outpatient clinics, Vet Centers, nursing homes, residential rehabilitation treatment programs, and comprehensive home care programs. Veterans are expected to make more than 86.4 million outpatient visits to VA health care facilities this year.

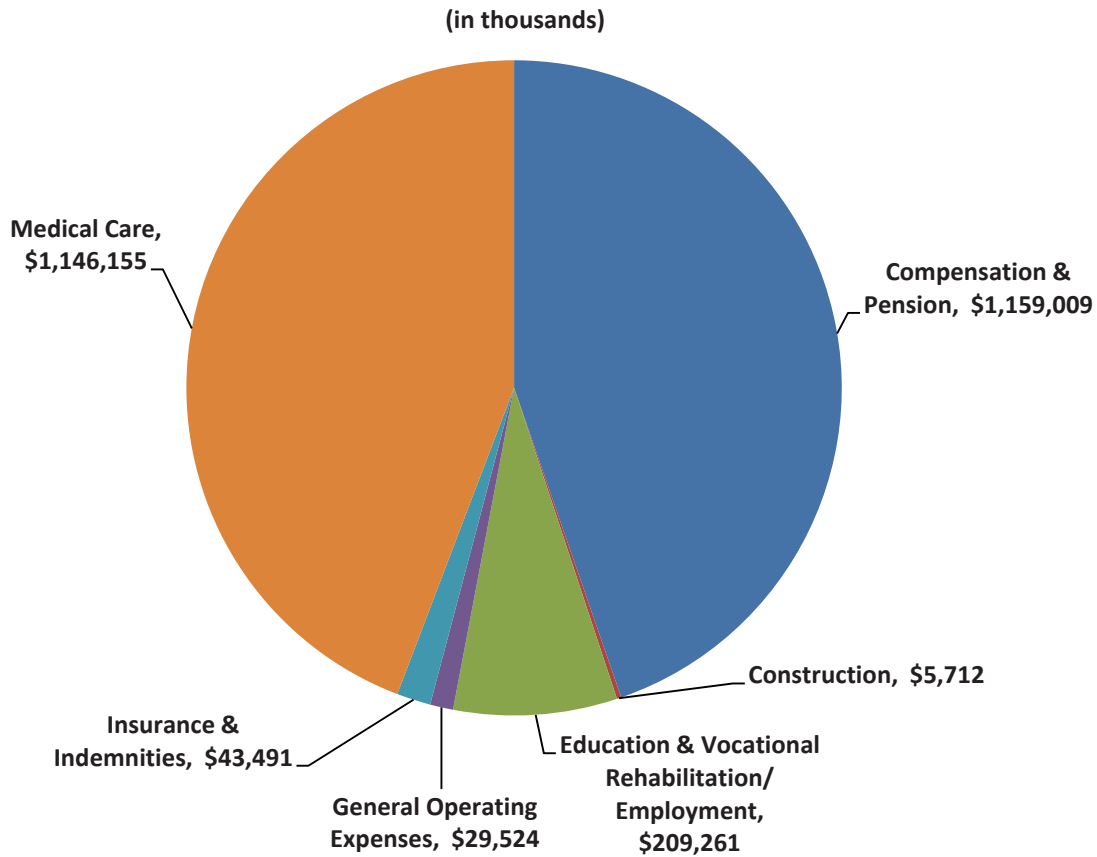
VA also manages a network of national cemeteries, soldier's lots, and monument sites, and provides headstones and markers for Veterans' graves worldwide.



VETERAN POPULATION (as of 9/30/2014)	Total	State
Number of Veterans	22.0 M	380,000
Number of Women Veterans	2.02 M	26,000
Number of Veterans Age 65 and Over	9.95 M	201,000

FACILITIES (as of 9/30/2014)	Total	State
Number of VA Hospitals	150	4
Number of Community-Based Outpatient Clinics	831	17
Number of Vet Centers	300	7
Number of VBA Regional Offices	56	1
Number of National and State Cemeteries	229	3

FY13 VA Expenditures Massachusetts = \$2.6 Billion



BENEFITS (as of 9/30/2014)	Total	State
Number of Veterans Receiving Disability Compensation	3,949,066	58,942
Number of Veterans Receiving Pension	304,556	3,914
Number of Dependency & Indemnity Compensation (DIC) Beneficiaries	382,245	5,907
Number of Death Pension Beneficiaries	211,716	2,788

HEALTH CARE (as of 9/30/2014)	Total	State
Number of Enrollees in VA Health Care System	9,106,480	137,592
Number of Unique Patients Treated	5,869,487	83,919